PHARMACY BENEFIT MANAGER LICENSURE AND REGULATION ACT (EXCERPT) Act 11 of 2022

550.825 Contractual responsibilities; conflict of interest; exception for certain audits.

Sec. 15.

- (1) A pharmacy benefit manager shall exercise good faith and fair dealing in the performance of its contractual duties to a health plan or network pharmacy. A provision in a contract that attempts to waive or limit the obligation under this subsection is void.
- (2) A pharmacy benefit manager shall notify a health plan in writing of any activity, policy, or practice of the pharmacy benefit manager that directly or indirectly presents a conflict of interest with the duties imposed in this section.
- (3) A pharmacy benefit manager shall not directly or indirectly, including indirectly through a pharmacy services administrative organization, charge or hold a pharmacist or pharmacy responsible for a fee related to a claim or reduce the amount of the claim at the time of the claim's adjudication or after the claim is adjudicated.
- (4) This section does not apply to an audit under section 28 of a pharmacy's records if either of the following applies:
 - (a) The review of claims data or statements indicates fraud, abuse, other intentional misconduct, or waste.
- (b) An investigative method, other than a review described in subdivision (a), indicates that the pharmacy is or has committed fraud or other intentional misrepresentation.
- (5) Except for the recoupment of money under an audit conducted under section 28, a pharmacy benefit manager shall not recoup money from a pharmacist or pharmacy in connection with a claim for which the pharmacist or pharmacy has been paid unless the recoupment is required by law.

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